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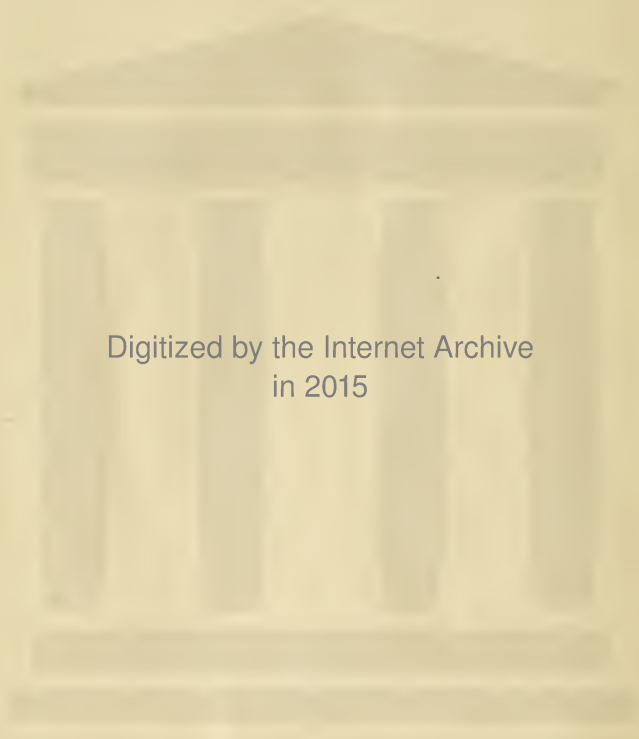
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A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF JAMES HOLTON.

JAMES HOLTON was born in Brighton, then the south part of Cambridge, Thursday, April 10,* 1800, oldest child of Major Benjamin and Mary (Shed) Holton, and died there unmarried, the last of his family, at the estate inherited from his father, on Faneuil Street, but which had not been his birthplace, Wednesday, April 29, 1863, aged sixty-three years and nineteen days.

The benignant countenance and the silver locks of his father, Major Holton, as he was designated, will be long remembered by most of our citizens as he appeared in our streets, and in his pew at the First Church, forenoon and afternoon, until he had reached nearly fourscore years. He, also, was a native of this place, having been born here on Washington Street, north side, near Allston Street, in a house which stood on the present site of Mr. Horace Jordan's house, February 13, 1775, son of James Holton and Rebecca (Brown) Champney, widow of Solomon Champney. Solomon Champney, grandfather of our Selectman, Mr. William Champney, having been accidentally killed here, by falling from his team, April 3, 1763, his widow married, January 2, 1766, James Holton, who died here April 16, 1789, aged 60. She was of New Ipswich, N. H. ; was admitted Communicant of the First Church

* On page 3, Rules and Regulations Holton Library, substitute April 10 for April 12, as his birthday. The same error may be corrected in a notice of his family on page 21 "Champney Genealogy." Also, in connection with this error in the Genealogy, the date of his father's marriage should read May 3, 1799, *not* May 2, 1779, and the name of his grandmother should be Hephzibah, *not* Mary.

here, then the Third Church of Cambridge, March 27, 1785, and died in the family of her son, Mr. Nathaniel Champney, with whom she had lived several years a widow, October 27, 1805, aged 71 years.

James Holton, the grandfather of our donor, came to this country from Scotland. He married for his first wife, Jerusha Blake, daughter of John Blake, of Boston, and Susanna Smith, of Cambridge. From the tattered leaves of an old Bible of the Blake family, which came into the possession of the Holton family, I transcribe these fragmentary entries :—

John Blake and Susanna Smith were married Feb. the —.

Jerusha Blake and James Holton were married July 4, 1756.

Mr. John Blake departed this life March the 20th, 1756, and was buried 25th day.

Jerusha Blake,—her book being the gift of her mother,—May 20, 1756.

Mrs. Susanna Blake died April 2—, and was buried 26th day.

Jerusha Holton departed this life August 11, 1764, aged 29, and was buried 15th.

February 12, 1772, Rebecca Holton was born, daughter of James.

Nathan Champney, son to James and Rebecca Holton, was born July 18, 1761.

Susanna Smith, (Mrs. John Blake, of Boston,) was sister to Mr. Ebenezer Smith, of this place, (son of Henry and Lydia (Buck) Smith, of Cambridge,) a man of very large estate, who died here unmarried, September 11, 1776, aged 85, whose tomb and monumental inscription may be seen in our old burying-ground. By his will he made numerous bequests; to this section of the town of Cambridge, wood-land for school purposes; to the First Parish here, a parsonage estate on corner of Washington and Rockland Streets, and also a legacy in money; to various individuals here and elsewhere, portions of his ample real and personal estate. A particular notice of him may be found in the School Committee's Report, 1861. Lydia, a daughter of John and Susanna (Smith) Blake, and sister of Jerusha (Blake) Holton, became the first wife of Nathaniel Spar-

hawk, father of our Patriarch, Mr. Edward Sparhawk, who is still with us, in his 95th year, sound in mind and body, and often in our streets. His mother was his father's second wife, Hannah, daughter of John Murdock, of Newton. Through the Blake family, the connection between the Holtons and Sparhawks is thus traced.

James Holton, grandfather of the subject of our notice, resided at one time in a house which stood far up on Rockland Street, and off the road, near the Brookline boundary, and was reached by a lane running to it from the south side of the street, at the termination of the large ledge of rocks. So retired was this house, that it became subsequently a hospital for patients vaccinated for the small-pox. Though taken down many years since, the cellar may be still seen. He resided afterwards on Washington Street, in the house above described, near Allston Street. This house, with a barn, and about one acre and three-quarters, was a bequest, by the tenth clause of Mr. Ebenezer Smith's will, to James Holton, who, as we have seen, had married for his first wife, Mr. Smith's niece, and to Thomas Thwing, Mr. Smith's nephew, son of Edward Thwing and Lydia Smith. The estate is bounded in the will, southerly on the county road; westerly and northerly on land of Abijah Learned; easterly on land of Samuel Phipps. The Holton and Thwing families occupied the house. The two noble elm trees which stand at this day, the pride of the street, in front of the house now on the old cellar, were planted entirely by the hands of Mrs. Holton, the second wife, and Mrs. Thwing. These trees, it is said, were, in consequence, long distinguished by the neighbors and friends of the families, each by the name of the lady who planted it.

In this house, James Holton the elder died, in 1789, and here his son Benjamin, the Major, was born, as we have seen, in 1775. I find on the church records, married here May 19, 1794, Mr. Oliver Gerry and Miss Rebecca Holton. She was sister to Benjamin. James, the donor, makes bequests in his will to her children, his cousins. Major Holton, when a young man, was in the employ of Mr. Jonathan Winship, of this place, who was very extensively

engaged in business, and who built and occupied the large house on Washington Street, at its junction with Cambridge Street, now the Brighton Hotel. Here Mr. Holton lived, and here he was doubtless in the habit of meeting the lady whom he married, Miss Mary Shed, of Roxbury, Mr. Winship's niece. She was born in Roxbury, Feb. 9, 1777, daughter of Thomas Shed and Hephzibah Winship. Her father lived on the corner of what was then called Mather's Lane; and, a few years before his death, removed to Portland, Me., to reside with a son who had settled there.

Benjamin was married in this place by Rev. Dr. Foster, May 3, 1799, and began his wedded life in the house on Washington Street, north side, now owned and occupied by Mr. Jesse Osborn, the first house east from the First Church. This venerable building, one of the oldest in town, was formerly the Fessenden Estate. Here all the children of Benjamin Holton, except the youngest son, were born, while all, with both their parents, died at their subsequent home on Faneuil Street. It is hoped that the Trustees may present in their next Report, for preservation, engravings of this building and of the birthplace, and also of the beautiful monument erected at Evergreen Cemetery to the memory of Mr. Holton. The names of the children follow.

James, born April 10, 1800, died April 29, 1863. Charles, born October 22, 1802, died February 15, 1854, unmarried. Mary Winship, born February 9, 1805, married at Concord, N. H., March 4, 1845, Aaron Colby, and died October 29, 1851, without children. Her husband died at Concord, about 1861. Benjamin, born March 7, 1807, died November 14, 1826, unmarried. The Act of Incorporation making Brighton a town set off from Cambridge, was passed in the Legislature on the last day of February, 1807, and the population of this place being then very small, it chanced that Benjamin, the youngest son, was always distinguished as the first child born in the town.

Major Holton first purchased the old house, which had been Deacon Hill's, still standing on Faneuil Street, north side, second from

Market Street, and moved into it in 1805. His latter residence on the same side of the street, second east from Parsons Street, he purchased in 1813. Here Mrs. Holton died Sunday, April 28, 1844, in her 68th year, much beloved for her practical benevolence and the kindly qualities of her heart. She was interred on the 30th. Her husband died Friday, April 15, 1853, in his 79th year, and was interred on the 18th. His hoary head was the crown of glory, because found in the way of righteousness. In such universal esteem was he held, that a very large concourse of the citizens attending his funeral, followed in procession on foot, after the early custom of New England, to the family tomb on Market Street.

Thus in the short space of nine years, the venerable father and mother, the brother and sister, had died, following the youngest born and earliest taken, and James was left alone. He still occupied the paternal estate, having a housekeeper, and cultivated the farm, distributing, often, of its stores to the needy.

His residence was always in this town. He was not much in places of public resort, but mostly at home. His health, in later years, had been somewhat impaired, and he would frequently make short excursions upon the sea, sharing the labors of the sailor's life, which he enjoyed, and by which he was sensibly benefited. His will, in thirty-three articles, bears date July 2, 1855, a little more than two years after his father's decease, with a codicil in four articles appended, July 24, 1860. His property, in part inherited, was principally amassed by his own diligence, honesty and wise economy. Through the courtesy of the Executor, Mr. Life Baldwin, the will has been printed and distributed among those interested. "The Seamen's Bethel Relief Society," Boston, now under the pastoral care of Rev. Edward T. Taylor, is made Residuary Legatee of his large estate, after the settlement of his just debts and funeral charges, the erection of a tomb and monument at Evergreen Cemetery, in this town, and the payment of nearly sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) in legacies. These legacies are embraced in the foundation for the Public Library; in bequests for the Sabbath

Schools and Benevolent Sewing Circles of Religious Societies in this town ; in a permanent fund for furnishing Thanksgiving-day dinners to the Town paupers, and in another fund for furnishing the same to needy families in town ; in bequests to numerous relatives and friends here and elsewhere ; to the Boston Port Society, to the Farm School, and to the Ladies' American Home Education and Temperance Society, Boston. The fund which will accrue to the Residuary Legatee, on the final settlement of the estate, cannot yet be known, but must be very ample.

In enumerating this judicious distribution of Mr. Holton's property, we have sufficiently established his benevolence. He always loved especially to help the deserving poor and needy ; while he would often refuse aid to many really worthy causes not of this class, and thus, in the estimation of some, damage his generosity. The amount of money which he thus gave in small sums, where it would tell directly on human relief, was each year very large, as shown by his journal. But for the leaves of that accurate journal, the world might never have known how much he did. In heart, and spirit, in manners, in dress, he was opposed to all ostentation. It was his delight that his alms were in secret. Probably no one but the lawyer who drew his will knew of this liberal array of bequests. The deeds of his right hand his left hand knew not. Beneath an almost repulsive plainness of exterior was a heart that beat for the welfare and happiness of his fellow creatures, and, we believe, was right with God. His honesty and integrity were above reproach. Regular and methodical in business, strictly temperate in his habits, a man of few words, unassuming, diffident, he passed a quiet and uneventful life. For most of his life he was a constant attendant with his father's family on worship at the First Church here. He subsequently became warmly interested in the ministrations of Rev. Edward T. Taylor,—Father Taylor, as he is usually designated,—of the Seamen's Bethel, Boston, and would frequently worship on one-half, or on the whole of the Sabbath there. He was for several years a generous donor to this religious association, be-

sides constituting it his Residuary Legatee. For its worthy and venerable pastor he entertained a lively affection. His sympathies were strongly enlisted in the cause of seamen, as may be judged from significant expressions in his will. He conferred often with Father Taylor, his friend, and so emphatically their friend, on the best methods of serving them, and was frequently gladdened by the visits of Father Taylor in his own home here.

For six or seven years before his death he was deeply interested in modern Spiritualism. He attended the meetings of the Spiritualists; he argued with fervid honesty and earnestness for their doctrines with his old friends, who, if they could not accept his conclusions and agree with his views, never doubted his sincerity, the kindness of his heart, nor his conscientious love of the right.

It pleased God to remove him from this life without the sufferings of protracted illness. On the afternoon of Tuesday, April 28, 1863, in his usual health and spirits, he took a friend, Mr. J. B. Mason, who had dined with him, and drove to Kenrick's Nurseries in Newton to purchase some trees. As an evidence of his carefulness in accounts, it may be stated that his Executor found entered that evening on his journal the sum paid for the trees. He returned home before sundown, after conveying his friend to the railroad station here for Boston, and retired early to rest, as was his custom. About midnight he arose feeling unwell, probably from some disease of the heart. His housekeeper administered remedies under his advice, as he considered that by observation and experience he had acquired some medical skill. These proving unavailing, a physician was sent for; but before he arrived, Mr. Holton had passed away, at about two o'clock on the morning of the 29th, in full possession of his faculties, sensible that the hour of his departure had come, and in submission and peace.

His funeral was attended from his house on Saturday, at one o'clock, by a large number of citizens. Rev. Mr. Noyes, of the First Church, offered prayer; Rev. Edward T. Taylor made an address; Rev. Mr. Whitney read the Scripture burial-service.

The body was laid in the family tomb on Market Street, to be afterwards removed with the remains of all the family, when the tomb, as directed in the will, should be built at Evergreen Cemetery.

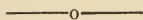
In the summer of 1864 the Town appointed Messrs. Ruggles, Whitney, and Bickford, of the Trustees of the Holton Library, a Committee to select a Lot at Evergreen Cemetery to be placed at the disposal of the Executor, whereby he should fulfil the purpose of the testator in the erection of a tomb. On the 29th of July the Committee met at the Cemetery Mr. Charles Heard, Commissioner, and Mr. Baldwin, Executor, and selected the north extremity of South Grove as the Lot. Previously no lots had been assigned for occupancy either in North or South Grove.

Under the supervision of the Executor the tomb was immediately commenced; and in November all the bodies of the Holton family entombed in the old burying-ground were removed to this new tomb, the top of which is level with the Lot, and sealed up forever. The beautiful marble monument of most appropriate design, rising eighteen feet with its massive granite pedestal, and surmounted by the cross and anchor interlaced in carving, was erected Monday, January 30, 1865. This admirable specimen of an art, which the growing taste of New England for ornamental cemeteries has in these latter years greatly fostered, was executed at McDonald's Marble Works, by Mount Auburn. The finely finished granite which forms the edging of the Lot, and the pedestal, was wrought at Parker's Granite Works, Cambridgeport. The whole tomb, with its embellishments, completed at a cost of over three thousand dollars, reflects the utmost credit upon the Executor, who has so handsomely fulfilled his trust, as well as upon those who wrought.

The following chaste and appropriate inscription, which adorns the front of the monument facing the north, is from the pen of Mr. John Ruggles, chairman of the Committee as above: —

JAMES HOLTON

DIED APR. 29, 1863; AGED 63 YRS.



The Town of Brighton

expresses its high appreciation
of his integrity and beneficence.

The founder of its Public Library,
and a liberal donor to its Religious
Societies, his name will be ever
associated with its history.

Charitable to the poor, the constant
friend of the Sailor, blessings
will rest upon his tomb.

On the base of the marble monument is carved the following:—

The remains of the Holton family deposited here
and this monument erected in accordance with the
Will of James Holton, by his Executor, Nov. 1864.

And on the base of the granite pedestal is carved in large letters, the family name

HOLTON.

On the eastern side of the monument the names of his parents are inscribed.

BENJAMIN HOLTON

DIED APR. 15, 1853; AGED 78 YRS.

MARY HOLTON

DIED APR. 28, 1844; AGED 67 YRS.

On the western side is inscribed—

BENJAMIN HOLTON, JR.

DIED NOV. 14, 1826; AGED 20 YRS.

MARY W. COLBY

DIED OCT. 29, 1851; AGED 46 YRS.

CHARLES HOLTON

DIED FEB. 15, 1854; AGED 51 YRS.

On the southern side is inscribed the name of an uncle of our donor :

CHARLES SHED

DIED JAN. 30, 1823; AGED 27 YRS.

We close at his tomb this simple sketch of the life of one more benefactor of his race. The wealth which he acquired while living he has left to flow in many channels of usefulness, now that he has died to earth. His good deeds will live after him here. The features of his countenance, his whole personal bearing, his costume, are most perfectly preserved in the admirable life-size portrait which has been executed in the highest style of art, by F. L. Lay, Winter Street, Boston; and by the generosity of Mr. Theodore Matchett, one of the Trustees, adorns the Library. Not less surely will be preserved and perpetuated,—yes, and for ages after painting and canvas shall have faded and crumbled,—every good influence which through his charitable deeds and the books which his liberality has provided, has been wrought. It was hardly to have been expected that one but little familiar with books and human learning should have thus devised both a Public Library for this Town, and a bequest for books for the Farm School, Boston.

Pliny the younger, writing to Tacitus of the death of his uncle, Pliny the elder, says that he deems them happy whom the gods have permitted either to do what is worthy to be written, or to write what is worthy to be read; but most happy those who may do both. “*Equidem beatos puto, quibus deorum munere datum est aut facere scribenda, aut scribere legenda; beatissimos vero quibus utrumque.*” If it was not the gift of our friend to wield the pen for the admiration of mankind, then surely shall his generous deeds be spoken, and written by other hands. Let him be ever remembered gratefully here in the books which his bounty shall supply from year to year. Let them be judiciously selected, tenderly cared for, wisely read. Childhood, youth, and age shall through coming years be established by them in wisdom and truth. And so in them shall be realized that beautiful tribute paid by Cicero, long since, to letters,—“*Adolescentiam alunt; senectutem oblectant; secundas res ornant; adversis solatium praebeant; delectant domi.*” Youth they nourish; they make old age pass pleasantly; prosperity they adorn; adversity they solace; home they charm.



RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE

Board of Trustees,

AND FOR THE USE OF THE

HOLTON LIBRARY

OF THE

TOWN OF BRIGHTON.



BRIGHTON

BOSTON:

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TOWN OF BRIGHTON.

HOLTON LIBRARY, September 1, 1864.

At a meeting of the Trustees, on the evening of April 18, 1864, Messrs. WHITNEY, RUGGLES, BICKFORD, and WARREN, were appointed a Committee to prepare Rules and Regulations, and submit them for approval at the adjourned meeting on the 23d of April.

I certify that the Rules and Regulations, presented as above, and established by the Board of Trustees for the use of the Holton Library, are now in force.

Attest

JOHN PERKINS CUSHING WINSHIP.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

EARLIER LIBRARIES.

The BRIGHTON SOCIAL LIBRARY, owned in shares by a corporation, was organized with a Constitution, March 1, 1824.

The BRIGHTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, for the circulation of books, for maintaining courses of public lectures, and exercises in declamation, composition, and debate, was incorporated in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth, Jan. 15, 1858.

The large collection of books embraced in these libraries is now merged in the —

HOLTON LIBRARY, INSTITUTED A.D. 1864.

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The town, at their annual meeting in March, 1864, took action on the several legacies of Mr. Holton, as by his will submitted by Mr. Life Baldwin, executor; and at their next meeting, April 8, in further action upon the report of a Committee chosen in March, appointed twelve gentlemen, whose

names follow, as Trustees of the Library to be established on Mr. HOLTON's foundation.

JOHN RUGGLES, LIFE BALDWIN, THEODORE MATCHETT, STEPHEN HASTINGS BENNETT, Rev. FREDERIC AUGUSTUS WHITNEY, WEARE DOW BICKFORD, Rev. JOHN PAINE CUSHMAN, NATHANIEL JACKSON, WILLIAM WIRT WARREN, JOSEPH ADAMS POND, GRANVILLE FULLER, JOHN PERKINS CUSHING WINSHIP.

At the first meeting of the Trustees, held April 18, at the rooms of the Brighton Library Association, Mr. RUGGLES was chosen President, and Mr. WINSHIP Secretary, of the Board.

Mr. BENNETT having declined the trust, Mr. CHARLES CARROLL HUTCHINSON was elected in his place.

RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AND FOR THE USE OF
THE HOLTON LIBRARY, BRIGHTON.

CHAPTER I.

FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

ARTICLE 1. The Board of Trustees, elected by the town, shall, each year, at the first meeting after the annual town-meeting, organize, by choosing from their number a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and also a Librarian from their own number or at large, who shall severally perform the duties hereinafter enumerated.

ARTICLE 2. The Board of Trustees shall meet on the Monday evening succeeding the annual town-meeting, and shall hold regular meetings on the second Monday of every month, at the Library-room. Meetings from April to September inclusive shall be held at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.; and, from October to March inclusive, at seven o'clock, P.M. Special meetings shall be called by the Secretary, upon the request, in writing, of three trustees, by a notice specifying the subject to be acted on. At all meetings, a majority of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 3. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and shall have the power, usually vested in a presiding officer; and, in his absence, a President *pro tem.* shall be chosen.

ARTICLE 4. The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Board, and shall perform the duties incident to his office.

ARTICLE 5. The Treasurer shall hold and invest, subject to the direction of the Trustees, all funds belonging to the Library, and, with the same, shall pay all bills which shall be approved by the President and Secretary. He shall keep proper books of account, showing all receipts and disbursements; which books shall always be open to the inspection of the Board, or of any member thereof. These books, together with the Treasurer's vouchers for money paid, and evidences of investment, shall annually, in the month of February, be examined and audited by the Trustees, or by a committee of the same. The Treasurer shall give bonds, to the satisfaction of the Board, for the faithful performance of his duties.

ARTICLE 6. The Librarian shall keep the Library-room and its appurtenances in good order, and properly ventilated, warmed, and lighted when in use. He shall record, in a book kept for that purpose, the name of every donor to the Library, the property given, the date

of the donation, the estimated value thereof, and the conditions, if any, on which given ; and shall likewise return, in certificate-form, to each donor, an acknowledgment of thanks on behalf of the Trustees. He shall also record the title of each book purchased, the date thereof, and cost. He shall cover, and attach to each book a printed label designating the name of the Library, the number of the book, and, if given, the name of the donor. He shall enter, in a book kept for the purpose, the name of each person entitled to use the Library, the number of each book taken, and the date when delivered ; and shall duly check such number when the book is returned. He shall keep a correct account of all penalties incurred and paid, when and by whom rendered, and shall return the amount to the Treasurer, on or before the first day of February annually. He shall carefully examine the account of each person on the first week of May, August, and November, annually, to ascertain all neglects in the due return of books, and shall forthwith notify all delinquents of such neglect by written communications. Should such books not be returned before the first day of the following month, he shall cause the same to be looked up and returned at the expense of the delinquent. He shall withhold the use of the Library from those from whom fines are due, and shall appraise the amount of damages done to books and other property of the Library, subject to appeal to the Board.

ARTICLE 7. These Rules and Regulations may be altered by the Trustees at any regular meeting (due notice of the proposed alteration having been given a week previously), or at any special meeting called for the purpose.

CHAPTER II.

FOR THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

ARTICLE 1. The Library shall be open every Wednesday and Saturday from two to five, and from seven to nine o'clock, P.M. No books, however, shall be delivered for two weeks immediately preceding the annual town-meeting.

ARTICLE 2. All books shall be returned to the Library on or before the first day of February, under penalty of a fine of twenty-five cents.

ARTICLE 3. Any resident in town, over the age of fourteen, may have the use of the Library, upon signing a promise to obey its Rules and Regulations, and may take therefrom one volume at a time.

ARTICLE 4. Every person entitled to the use of the Library shall receive from the Librarian a printed card, on which the book asked for shall be designated by its catalogue-number, in blanks left for the purpose; and this card will be presented to the Librarian, as the *only*

mode of obtaining any book wanted. If the book is not to be found, the card will be returned for the applicant to insert another number.

ARTICLE 5. No book shall be kept out more than fourteen days; and new books, when ordered by the Trustees, shall be returned in a shorter period. Such new books shall not be retaken by the same person until after one week from the date of their return. The fine for retaining any volume beyond the time above specified shall be five cents for every half-week of such retention.

ARTICLE 6. Any book retained two weeks beyond the time prescribed by these Regulations shall be sent for by the Librarian; and the expense incurred in obtaining it shall be paid by the delinquent.

ARTICLE 7. All injuries to books, beyond reasonable wear, and all losses, shall be made good, to the satisfaction of the Board, by the persons liable; and any book not returned within one week after demand for it made by the Librarian shall be regarded as lost.

ARTICLE 8. No person having a book from the Library shall lend it to any one not a member of the same household.

ARTICLE 9. No person owing a fine or forfeiture shall receive books from the Library until the same is paid.

ARTICLE 10. All persons visiting the Library-room will be required to demean themselves quietly; and no conversation will be allowed in the room.

ARTICLE 11. Persons entitled to the privileges of the Library may receive books for consultation in the Reading-room while the Library is open; and the Librarian shall enter all books thus withdrawn, and erase the entry when they are returned. Any person neglecting to return a book, thus temporarily consulted, to the Librarian, shall pay the same fine as for a week's detention beyond the time prescribed by the Regulations.

ARTICLE 12. Books of reference, and those deemed by the Trustees unsuitable for general circulation, shall not be loaned, except by an order signed by at least two members of the Board.

ARTICLE 13. Catalogues of books belonging to the Library, with the established Rules and Regulations annexed, shall be provided by the Trustees; and, on application, a copy shall be given to the head of each family.

ARTICLE 14. These Rules and Regulations may be altered by the Trustees at any regular meeting (due notice of the proposed alteration having been given one week previously), or at any special meeting called for the purpose.

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BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Shelf No. **G51030-4**

Two books allowed at a time, to be kept 14 days (or 7 days in the case of certain recent publications). Not to be renewed.

Borrowers finding this book mutilated are expected to report it.

EXTRACT FROM RULES.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. Any person who detains a volume beyond the time for which it is lent shall pay a fine of two cents for each and every day of such detention, and three cents for each notice of such detention sent by post. For every two weeks a book is so detained beyond the time limit, such person shall pay an additional fine of twenty-five cents.

SECTION 2. A book so detained for more than four weeks shall be considered lost, and the person detaining it shall, in addition to accrued fines, pay the full cost of replacing such book. No book shall be delivered to any person, or upon his Library Card, until all fines and charges due from him are paid.

Keep Your Card in this Pocket.

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